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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-4 and 6-40 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1, 7, 23, 29, 35, and 37-39 are amended, and claim 5 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is added. Support for the claims can be found throughout the specification, including the original claims, and the drawings. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is thanked for the indication that claims 10-22, 25-28, and 31-34 are allowed. The Examiner is further thanked for the indication that claims 5 and 7-8 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the features of the base claim and any intervening claims. The allowable features of claim 5 have been added to independent claim 1, and claim 5 has been canceled. Similar features have been added to independent claims 23, 29, 35, 37, and 39. Accordingly, independent claims 1, 23, 29, 35, 37, and 39 should be in condition for allowance, along with claims 2-4, 6-9, 24, 30, 36, 38, and 40, which depend respectively therefrom.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-4, 6, 23, 29, 35, 37, and 39 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over the Applicants Admitted Prior Art (AAPA) in view of Wang et al. (hereinafter "Wang '476"), U.S. Patent No. 5,661,476; and rejected claims 9, 24, 30, 36, 38, and 40 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over AAPA in view of Wang '476 and further in view of Wang

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(hereinafter "Wang '138"), U.S. Patent Publication No. 2005/0060138. These rejections are moot in view of the amendment discussed above, and thus, should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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